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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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Dear Supervisors:

**FACILITIES USE LICENSE CONTRACTS WITH THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION (FAIRPLEX), POMONA
FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC AUCTION
OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY
(FIRST DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER AND
TAX COLLECTOR THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve two facility use licenses for the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC) for the use of Building 8 at the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds (Fairplex) in Pomona on February 26 and 27, 2007 and August 20 and 21, 2007, in order to conduct a public auction for the sale of defaulted property subject to the power of sale.
2. Instruct the Chief Administrative Officer or his designee to execute two facility use license contracts and authorize total payment in the amount of \$18,781 which includes a \$2,000 contingency fee to be paid if unanticipated expenses occur for the use of the facility.
3. Find that the facility use licenses are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to secure a location to enable the TTC to conduct tax sales during calendar year 2007. The TTC will be submitting a resolution for approval of the tax sale to your Board in October 2006 for the February 2007 tax sale and in March 2007 for the August tax sale.

Customarily, the TTC conducts tax sales twice a year, most recently on February 13 and 14, 2006, pursuant to a license approved by your Board on September 20, 2005. The Fairplex facility is an ideal venue for these auctions because of its location and capacity to accommodate the number of anticipated attendees.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Recovery of delinquent taxes through the sale of tax-defaulted property is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan goal of Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4). Additionally, providing this facility for auctions is in compliance with the goal to provide accessible and quality services to the public (Goal 1).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The County will incur costs of \$ 9,390.50 for the month of February 2007 and \$ 9,390.50 for the month of August, 2007 for a total fee of \$18,781, to conduct two public auctions at the Fairplex facility. The public auctions of tax-defaulted property will enable the TTC to recover unpaid property taxes, penalties and costs on delinquent parcels.

There are presently no County facilities that are capable of accommodating the anticipated 2,000 attendees.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each year, the TTC publishes a list of tax delinquent properties to be sold in compliance with Section 3361 of the Revenue and Taxation Code. This code requires publication of the tax-defaulted properties on or before June 8. Properties that remain tax defaulted on July 1 are subject to sale for non-payment of taxes. TTC utilizes the County's contracted newspaper service that facilitates the dissemination of information concerning the available defaulted properties. The list of defaulted properties was published on May 22 and May 29, 2006, in various local newspapers with general circulation in the geographic areas in which the properties are located. Upon receiving authorization from your Board in October 2006 and April 2007 to conduct the tax sales, the TTC will proceed with conducting the sales in February 2007 and August 2007. The TTC estimates that approximately 1,200 tax-defaulted properties will be offered for sale to an anticipated group of more than 2,000 attendees.


ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

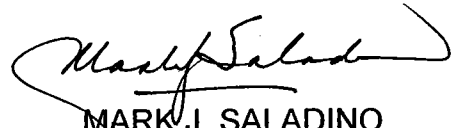
The recommended action is categorically exempt from the CEQA pursuant to Class 1 and Class 23 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987 and Sections 15301 and 15323 of the State CEQA guidelines.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The site selected to conduct these auctions should enhance the sale of the various delinquent properties by providing adequate space to accommodate an anticipated group in excess of 2,000 attendees and related parking.

Respectfully submitted,


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Treasurer and Tax Collector

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